



1/12/05

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Nagashisa CHIKAZAWA et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2623**

Serial No.: **09/811,526**

Examiner: **Siangchin, Kevin**

Filed: **March 20, 2001**

Confirmation No.: **9425**

For: **FINGERPRINT RECOGNIZING APPARATUS AND INFORMATION
PROCESSING UNIT HAVING SUCH APPARATUS**

Attorney Docket Number: **010363**

Customer Number: **38834**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(1)/(e)(1)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

January 12, 2005

Sir:

Applicants direct the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each non-U.S. document is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being submitted after issuance of a first official action on the merits and expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage for the above-captioned application, but prior to issuance of either a final official action or a Notice of Allowance.

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the IDS.

Information Disclosure Statement under 1.97(c)(1)
Attorney Docket No. 010363
Serial No. 09/811,526

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge Deposit
Account No. 50-2866.

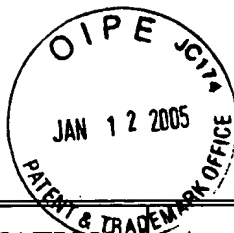
Respectfully submitted,
WESTERMAN, HATTORI, DANIELS & ADRIAN, LLP



Joseph L. Felber
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 48,109
Telephone: (202) 822-1100
Facsimile: (202) 822-1111

JLF:ns

Enclosures: Form PTO-1449
European Search Report
References



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION PTO-1449	Atty. Docket No. 010363	Serial No. 09/811,526
	Applicant(s): Nagashisa CHIKAZAWA et al.	
	Filing Date: March 20, 2001	Group Art Unit:

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document No.	Name	Date	Class	Subclass	Filing Date (If appropriate)
	6,088,585	J. Schmitt et al.	7/11/00			
	5,828,773	D. Setlak	10/27/98			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial	Document No.	Date	Country	Translation (Yes or No)
	WO 00/21439	4/20/00	PCT	Yes
	1 017 009 A2	7/5/00	EPO	Yes
	1 018 696 A2	7/12/00	EPO	Yes

OTHER DOCUMENTS

Examiner		Date Considered